

JAP TO KEEP FIGHT WITHIN CHINA SEA

Great Britain Assures United States Activities Against Germany Will be Closely Confined by Mikado.

ANXIOUS TO KEEP GOOD RELATIONSHIP

German Counsel Holds Kai-Chau Should be Released to Prevent Bloodshed—Garrison Numbers Only 3,000.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Great Britain, through Counselor Colville Barclay of the British embassy, formally assured the state department this afternoon that Japan would confine her activities against Germany to the China sea, except where the protection of her commerce may require wider action. The statement was delivered in writing.

It is known that Great Britain is keenly anxious to preserve the good relations between the United States and Japan, as any breach which would involve Great Britain would mean starvation for the British isles through the closing of the American and Canadian markets. The assurances from Great Britain concerning her ally are therefore taken at their full value.

Charge d'Affaires Hancel von Haimhausen of the German embassy is personally of the opinion that Germany should at once release her Kiaochau holdings to China, thus checking Japan and saving bloodshed. He gave his views frankly today, but said that they were entirely his private opinions and that he had no word as to what the German government would do in response to the Japanese ultimatum.

He said the German garrison at Kiaochau would be obliged to resist an attempt by Japan to take the fortifications, but as the garrison numbered only about 3,500 their position would be desperate. To save this bloodshed and clarify the situation he feels that Germany's best move would be to return the Kiaochau lease to the Chinese government.

At the Japanese embassy it is believed Germany will not give up Kiaochau without a struggle. Baron Chinda said he had no further notification of the attitude of Japan, or concerning the limitation of Japan's activities against Germany.

ATTITUDE UNKNOWN.
The British diplomatic officials said they had no information on the possibility that Germany may yield Kiaochau to China. Counselor Barclay said that in the event of such a transfer, Japan might or might not insist upon taking possession of the German fortifications. It is believed that Japan will either take possession of the German defenses or insist that they be dismantled.

It is regarded as immaterial that the assurances of Japan's intentions should have come from Great Britain instead of Japan, but it is said Japan will follow with a similar formal statement of her sphere of opposition to Germany. The state department has already been given formal assurances by Japan that Samoa and the other Pacific islands in which Germany has an interest, will not be molested.

Secy. Bryan said today that there is no truth in the reports that the Kaiser has protested to Ambassador Gerard on the subject of American hostility to Germany's cause. There was a discussion, he said, of the subject of wireless communication. The report that the Belgian capital will be removed from Brussels to Antwerp was confirmed today by the minister to Belgium, Brant Whiteck, who said he would remain at Brussels.

In the event of a breach between Germany and Japan, the United States will take over the affairs of the Japanese embassy at Berlin. A tentative request for this service was made to Secy. Bryan today by Baron Chinda. It is understood Secy. Bryan will instruct Ambassador Gerard to look after Japan's interests in Germany if the Japanese ambassador takes his passports.

NO CAUSE FOR ANXIETY.
TOKIO, Aug. 19.—"The imperial government of Japan will take no action such as would give to a third party any cause for anxiety or uneasiness regarding the safety of their territories or possessions," declared Count Okuma, the Japanese premier, in addressing a gathering of Japanese merchants assembled from all parts of the country today.

He said it was the intention of Japan to eliminate German influence in China. He added: "Japan's warlike intentions will not extend beyond the limits necessary for the attainment of the object of the defense of her own legitimate interests."

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CHAPTER VII.

For a whole of the forenoon we had heard firing in the distance, the thunder of cannon and the rattle of musketry. Our regiment had been marched hither and thither. The fight had drawn nearer and nearer. We were expecting to be under fire at any moment, and then we had to fall back again, and look for a new place to develop our attack. It seemed as if the orders that came through were contradictory, and this tension of uncertainty fell like a blight on our spirits, and got on the nerves both of officers and men. At length we had wound through a defile, the steep slopes of which, left and right, were thickly grown with trees. Things had got into a bit of a mess. We had had to force our way through undergrowth, soaked with rain, through brambles and clumps of tall broom on which the green pods were still pendent. At times there was nothing in sight except the roof and wall of greenery. We breathed more freely when at last the sky spread clear overhead again.

So now we have reached a green meadow, and are marching straight across it, but are still unable to see anything of the enemy's forces yet. Even the firing has died down, and has become more distant than before. It seemed as if we had come into another, remoter world, and—so we have; for soon we notice how soft the ground has become under our feet, how water is oozing up at every step. We shall, if we go on, be right in the middle of a swamp.

That is the reason of the solitude reigning all around us.

The terrain is impracticable. To the right and left of us, and all about us, nothing but swamp, running out into a broad sheet of open water, the depths of which no one can guess, or tell whether it is fordable.

The head of the column is already swinging round and we are retracing our steps toward the defile to get out of the rat-trap.

And in the middle of the meadow: "Halt! Form sections!"

The companies have fallen in. The officers have assembled, and are powwowing. We seem to have lost touch. The sergeant beside me is swearing in his sleeve, and is cursing at something about lunacy and blindman's buff. I am gazing up meditatively at the heights, overgrown with trees and undergrowth, and am thinking what fun it would be if we were to have to make our way back to the defile now, and in the thick of it the enemy were to break in on us right and left—no man would come out of it alive—the battle of the Teutoburger forest recurs to me—I am trying to make out if they are oaks or beeches over there.

A sudden there is a flash of lightning from the undergrowth; the very armanent cracks and sways as if it were going to fall in on us.

"Lie down!" Horror screams somewhere or other.

And trembling, we lie down.... and over our heads rushes something that howls for our flesh.

What's the next thing? Up and at them now! Rush straight at the guns. Suffocate their fiery mouths with our flesh and bones.

"Up! Get up!"

The captain comes up to us at a

run. The breath of the iron holds us tight pressed to the ground as if in a vice. Turn your head away. Now! Now! Then—A-a-h!

The vault of heaven has cracked above us, and has spurted down on to the sand from above. Life is lying there, wriggling on the earth, and the hands that were clawing the ground are now clutching idly at the shattered air. I rise to my feet again. I have not been hit. But the man who leaped up beside me—he is lying flat in the sand and screaming in a broken voice. He is lying as if he had been nailed firmly through his stomach to the earth, and as if he could not get free again. The body itself is dead only the arms and legs are still alive. And arms and legs are working wildly through the air.

"Up! Get up! Quick march!" a voice yells in our ears. We no longer know who it is shouting to us, and we don't know from what quarters they have called us. We leap to our feet. We leave the captain and the wounded in their blood; we start up and run away, and are running a race with the shells, for we are running for our bare, naked life. But the shells have the legs of us. They catch us up from behind in our backs, and wherever the invisible sheet plunges hissing down, men are falling with it and rolling helter-skelter in the blood. But we speed away over twitching and dismembered bodies, and over bodies turning somersaults, and look neither to the right nor to the left. We are on the run, and shrink into ourselves as we run. We draw our necks deep between our shoulders, for every man feels that the next moment his head will be leaping out from between his shoulder-blades from behind.

And eyes of iron are glaring at us from behind. The swamp! The swamp! The thought suddenly rears its head in me. We are running blindly straight into the swamp. Only another twenty paces now—already the foremost have reached it, and, senseless in their terror, jump into it—the water spurts up high—

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Mannori arrived in South Bend Tuesday night from Kalamazoo and will leave this morning with Chicago as his objective point. He has set himself for at least 25 miles every day, sometimes more, and is now 304 miles ahead of his schedule. It is his plan to keep at least 100 miles to the good all the time.

The start was made April 15 and his travels have carried him 1,876 miles, and through ten states.

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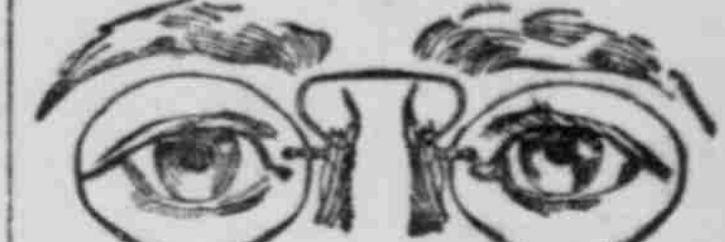
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